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<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--  
 All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Appeal Brief filed on 4/11/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-23.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 11 April 2005 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  
**THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.**

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

- Attachment(s)**
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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)           |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____ |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment                   |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br>of Biological Material          | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance  |
|   | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   |

**DETAILED ACTION**

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows: claim 23, line 13, -- . -- (period), has been inserted after "code".

***Examiner's Statement Of Reason For Allowance***

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-23 are allowed.

3. Applicant's arguments see Appeal Brief pages 6-15, filed April 11, 2005, have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1-4, 17, 19, 21 and 23, under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Axelrod et al. (US Patent 4,800,505), and the rejection of Claims 5-16, 18, 20 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Axelrod et al. (US Patent 4,800,505) of the office action mailed 09/10/2004 has been withdrawn.

Regarding claim 1, the prior art of record does not teach all the combined components and or elements for a system for generating printed mail pieces, starting from a print file, including processing code for controlling said control unit for processing said rough print file into the processed print file, which processing code comprises processing instructions', and

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representation code for causing said processing instructions to be represented in humanly interpretable form, said representation code being editable by an operator of said system for changing at least said representations of said processing instructions, and said representation code being convertible into an accordingly changed version of said processing code.

Regarding claim 9, the prior art of record does not teach all the combined components and or elements for a system for generating printed mail pieces, starting from a print file, including a set of processing subroutines with which processing subroutines representation codes for causing said processing instructions to be represented in humanly interpretable form can be composed, which representation codes differ from each other at least as regards processing instructions included therein, are editable by an operator of said system for changing at least said representations of said processing instructions, and are each convertible into a-processing code, corresponding with the respective representation code, for controlling said control unit for processing said rough print file into said processed print file, the processed print file comprising instructions for controlling the printer and the processing device.

Regarding claim 17, the prior art of record does not teach all the combined components and or elements for a computer readable medium containing a computer program code for controlling a printer and a processing device for controlling a control unit processing printed postal items into postal sets, including representation code for causing said processing instructions to be represented in humanly interpretable form, the representation code being editable by an operator of a system comprising said printer and said processing device for

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changing at least the representations of said processing instructions, and said representation code being convertible into an accordingly changed version of said processing code.

Regarding claim 18, the prior art of record does not teach all the combined components and or elements for a computer readable medium containing a computer program code for controlling a control unit for generating processing codes for controlling a control unit for processing a rough print file for controlling a printer into a processed print file for controlling the printer and a processing device for processing printed postal items into mail pieces, including processing subroutines representation codes for causing processing instructions to be represented in humanly interpretable form can be composed which representation codes differ from each other at least as regards processing instructions included therein, are editable by an operator of a system comprising said printer and said processing device for changing at least said representations of said processing instructions, and are each convertible into a processing code corresponding with the respective representation code, for controlling said control unit for processing said rough print file into said processed print file.

Regarding claim 23, the prior art of record does not teach all the combined components and or elements for a system for generating printed mail pieces, including processing code for controlling said control unit for processing said rough print file into the processed print file, which processing code comprises processing instructions and representation code for causing said processing instructions to be represented in humanly interpretable form, said representation code being editable by an operator of said system for changing at least said representations of

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said processing instructions, and said representation code being convertible into an accordingly changed version of said processing code.

### *Conclusion*

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The prior art of record does not teach all the combined elements, components and steps as discussed above in the "examiner's statement of reasons for allowance".

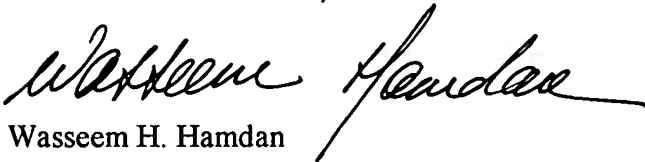
5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Wasseem H. Hamdan whose telephone number is (571) 272-2166. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (first Friday off) 6:30 AM- 4:00 PM.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew H. Hirshfeld can be reached on (571) 272-2168. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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